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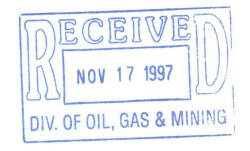
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July 31, 1997

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Re: NOTICE OF APPEAL

Dear Ms. Kitchell:

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This law firm represents Ron Pene and Pene Mining Company. Pursuant to regulation at 43 CFR § 4.411, we hereby submit this Notice of Appeal to the Moab District Office, Bureau of Land Management, of that certain Decision dated July 1, 1997 a copy of which is attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein. Pene Mining Company is appealing only that part of the Decision relating to the use and storage of its mining equipment on Grand County Roads within the area of concern, with the proviso that it is accepting responsibility for the reclamation of the disturbed areas made by third parties but expressly disavows legal liability for any unauthorized actions that may have been taken by them. A Statement of Reasons will follow this Notice of Appeal as required under regulation at 43 CFR § 4.412.

Please direct all correspondence with respect to this matter to the undersigned.

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